SENATE BILL 410

By Gilmore

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, relative to professions of the healing arts.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, is amended by adding the following as a new chapter:

63-20-101. Chapter definitions.

As used in this chapter:

- (1) "COVID-19" means an infectious respiratory disease caused by the coronavirus named SARS-CoV-2, or any mutation of that coronavirus;
- (2) "Dentist" means a person licensed to practice dentistry in this state under chapter 5 of this title; and
- (3) "Nurse" means a person licensed as a professional nurse pursuant to chapter 7 of this title.

63-20-102. Professionals also authorized to administer COVID-19 vaccinations.

Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a person licensed under this title who draws blood at a nonprofit blood bank or blood center, a dentist, or a nurse may administer a vaccination against COVID-19 as long as the person, dentist, or nurse has received appropriate training on how to administer the vaccination as deemed appropriate by the department of health by rule, including by emergency rule.

SECTION 2. The headings to sections in this act are for reference purposes only and do not constitute a part of the law enacted by this act. However, the Tennessee Code Commission is requested to include the headings in any compilation or publication containing this act.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.